Hylan Renews neither the association nor the Borden Mik Company were active in supporting this legislation, and I have no recollection of any representative of the association or of the company ever mentioning the subject to me. Drive Against Health Board

Orders New Commissioner to Investigate Conditions Within Department

Dr. Brown Denies MacBride's Charges

His Evidence Helps to Convict Three Employes Accused of Extortion

Board of Health yesterday in a letter instructing Dr. Royal S. Copeland, the new Health Commissioner, to make "an honest and fearless investigation" of conditions within the Health Depart-

earlier charges, first made to ex-Com-

office to the contrary, that all other bu-

The Mayor's letter to Dr. Copeland is nominally a review of his instructions to Dr. Amster concerning his wishes for changes in the management of the department. In it he makes the declaration that Dr. Amster lacked courage and that he "resigned for reasons best known to himself."

"It has," he says, "been charged that there were places created for favorites without warrant of law and that the provisions of the charter creating the department were most glaringly violated."

would be an absolute menace to the health of babies.

"The facts in this matter are briefly these:
"A conference was called at Albany, November 14, 1917, in which the following gentlemen participated:
"John Mitchell, president of the State Council of Farms and Markets; Charles S. Wilson, Commissioner of Agriculture; George Hogue, president New York State Dairymen's Association; W. E. Stocking, professor of dairying, Cornell University; I. A. Van Bomel and I. Elkin Nathans, representing the New York Milk Conference Board; A. L. Brockway, president of the New York State Holstein-Friesian Cattle Breeders' Association; F. W. Howe, dean of College of Agriculture, Syracuse Unitversity; Dr. S. L. Van Slyke, of the State Agricultural Experiment Station at Geneva, and T. E. Tiquin, of the State Department of Agriculture.
"No one can doubt the character or ability of the gentlemen composing this body. I was instructed by Commissioner Emerson to join in this conference. The result of our deliberations was the bill to which Mr. MacBride refers. I approved this bill, but urged certain modifications, which modifications were subsequently adopted. The bill did not lower the standard of milk; it permitted cream to be added to poor milk or abstracted from rich milk or poor milk and rich milk to be mixed by persons licensed by the Commissioner of Agriculture. The purpose of the bill was to standardize the quality of milk and to increase its production, thus tending not only to encourage the farmer but to lower the price to the consumer. The bill had the approval of practically all persons in the state who were well informed on the subject. So far as I know,

"(2) Mr. MacBride next states that he has found many letters in the files of the Bureau of Food and Drugs which of the Bureau of Food and Drugs which show an unwillingness on my part to interfere with the operation of the Borden Milk Company, even when requested by the United States Government to take such action. I know of no such letters. I have never seen them and shall be glad to have them produced. The Borden Milk Company has been investigated and prosecuted just as any other milk company. No favoritism has been shown to it. As a matter of fact, our court records show that the Borden Milk Company during the past year has been fined five times for violations of the Sanitary Code, paying in total fines more than any other large milk company.

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"(3) As to Mr. MacBride's claim that the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor has opposed any investigation of the Health Department, having for its object the exposure of a corrupt ring in the Bureau of Food and Drugs, I have no knowledge that the association has evertaken such action. I know of no corrupt ring in the Bureau of Food and Drugs. I have constantly used my best efforts to prevent all corruption in that bureau. There are employed about one hundred and thirty-five inspectors in the work of this bureau. These mentare subject to constant temptation. Every possible precatuion is taken to supervise their work to prevent favoritism or corruption. In the course of my official duties I have been instrumental in discharging ten of these inspectors, and in each case the evidence was submitted to the District Attorney. It is, of course, possible that there may have been hinck sheen

missioner Amster, that "the provisions of the charter creating the department were most flagrantly violated" and the law violated in order to make places vigilance cannot entirely prevent in human affairs a certain proportion of corruption and incompetence. If any-thing of the kind has existed in the Board of Health are specifically named in the charter, and it has been Mr.
Hylan's contention, despite two opinions of the Conversion Counsel's investigation I have freely offered my Mr. MacBride and District Attorney Swann. I have furnished to these gentlemen all the correspondence and papers in my office, and I shall continue to give all the information in my power to any public officials engaged in investigating any charges of corruption or graft in my bureau. I have testified willingly before Commissioner MacBride, I have made statements before District Attorney Dowling and have testified before the grand jury, and I have done everything in my power to facilitate this investigation, which I welcome and which I hope will be as expeditious and public as possible.

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its head, as I believe it should be, but that it was controlled and dominated by outside influence.

"The information that I obtained also alleged that in some of the divisions of the department graft was most prevalent, and that the people whose business brought them in daily contact with some of the divisions were treated harshly and with contempt by the subordinates of the department and made to feel that it was a compliment instead of a duty to receive the slightest attention that is due the public from their paid servants.

"It has also been charged that there were places created for favorites without warrant of law, that the provisions of the charter creating the department were most glaringly violated. After careful deliberation I determined that an investigation of these allegations was most necessary.

With the desire that the department should be purged from these conditions, it they existed, and having only one singrepurpose in mind, and that one the safety of the public's health depending on a thoroughly competent and honestry conducted administration of its internal affairs, I requested your predecessor to conduct an examination that should prove either the truthor the falsity of these charges.

Questions Amster's Courage

"Acting under my instructions, such an investigation was started. At an early stage of the proceedings I became convinced that your predecessor either had not the courage, or the qualifications to conduct a proper inquiry or else that outside interests who had reason to fear the result of the proposed investigation controlled his action.

action.
"I then requested the Civil Service Commission to proceed with the inqury and to
consult with the Commissioner of Accounts
where his aid might be required.
"Your predecessor, for reasons best
known to himself, resigned his office be-

fore the investigation then being conducted was finished.

"I have selected and appointed you as his successor as the head of what I consider the greatest department of the city, having charge of what is the most preclous boon that can be conferred on its citizenship—viz., its health.

"Having confidence in your integrity and ability to maintain to its highest standing the traditions of the Health Department, I state to you now, as I stated to your predecessor, that the health of the public comes first above all else, and I pledge you my fullest support to that end.

"With that single purpose in view, I shall recommend to the several bodies who have been conducting the inquiry that they turn over to you a complete report of their investigations to-day, together with all data pertaining thereto in their possession, with the recommendation that such evidences of graft that may appear be immediately placed in the hands of the District Attorney for prosecution.

"It has been strongly intimated, in fact stated, by some of the misleading press of the city, that this investigation was instigated by political influence. I say to you now and to the press who have made these malicious and false statements that such statement will not prevent me from doing my fullest duty to the people who have placed their trust and confidence in me by electing me as their Mayor.

"I am responsible to the people of the city, and any man who would even think of betraying that confidence in such a crisis that our nation is now confronted with should be classed as a traitor to our country and its cause.

"I urgs again that you make a fearless and honest investigation. Permit no outside influence however powerful to deteryou from giving the best that is in you to make our city what it should be viz., the safeat and healthiest place in the world in which to live."

Food Board Tries To Avert Strike Of Jewish Bakers

Employers Refuse to Submit to New Demands Made by Unions

the unions met in the board's offices, regard to the number of inhabitants

International Bakery and Confection-ery Workers, has promised to call meetings of the unions with a view to

meetings of the unions with a view to finding some basis for settlement.

The dispute concerns the employes' contract for the year beginning to-day. The old contract expired yesterday. The new contract submitted by the unions contains new clauses which many of the employers refuse to accept.

Yesterday's meeting was called by Clifton Reeves, representing the United States Department of Labor; Colonel M. J. Regan of the State In-

tion campaign.

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The section at once asked the government to renounce the peace conditions expressed by the Reichstag last July, the realization of which, it was declared, would bring about the ruin of Germany. Similar meetings, it was declared, would bring about the ruin of Germany for the purpose of fortifying the resistance of Germany and how hine it is split, but that it was a general to some of the divisions of the department's figures were department by the subminess broading that the possibility of each of a dry to the divisions were treated harshly and with contempt by the subminess broading that the possibility and with contempt by the subminess broading that the possibility and with contempt by the subminess broading that the possibility and with contempt by the subminess broading that the possibility and with contempt by the subminess broading that the possibility and with contempt by the subminess broading that the possibility and with contempt by the subminess broading that the possibility and with contempt by the subminess broading that the possibility and with contempt by the subminess broading that the possibility and with contempt by the subminess broading that the possibility and with contempt by the subminess broading the profession of the department's figures were additionally and with contempt by the subminess broading the profession of the department of the profession of the department of the profession of the d

Cotton Men Meet To-day

National and American Associations to Convene

Prussian Franchise | Gompers Appeals Reform Nullified By "Joker" in Bill

Socialist Cites Provision That Makes Government's Promises Illusory

Like a Gerrymander

15,000 Conservatives Get Same Representation as 40,000 Socialists

STOCKHOLM, May 1 .- The Prussian franchise reform measures conceal a cunningly devised provision which will render the whole reform illusory, even if it should be adopted, according to Heinrich Stroebel, a Socialist member of the stroebel as socialist members of the stroebel as socialist members of the stroebel as shadow and lose all. I don't want the workers to venture so far as the stroebel as socialist members of the stroebel as shadow and lose all. I don't want the workers to venture so far as the stroebel as shadow and lose all. I don't want the workers to venture so far as to lose the foundation of our great achievements. cunningly devised provision which will

tricts and the apportionment of deleand the territorial area, as well as to In the meantime J. Goldstone, of the of the election districts."

Herr Stroebel says eleven of the largest Prussian cities, excluding Berlin, elect only forty delegates to the lin, elect only forty delegates to the Diet, and will have only fifty-two under the new measures, whereas, he dece clares, they are entitled to ninety-two. Berlin, with 2,000,000 population, he shows, has twelve delegates, while West Prussia, with 1,750,000 population, has twenty-two delegates; Pomerania, with 1,750,000 population, has twenty-six delegates, and East Prussia, with 2,000,000 people, thirty-six. Each Free Conservative in the Diet is elected by 13,000 electors and each Conjustry of the conservative by 15,000, he shows; but each

Closely Watched

during the United States's first year against Emil Simonson, of 228 South

ciations to Convene

Lieutenant U. S. Grant, 3d, has been assigned to take charge of the war, according to the Bureau of the Grand Central Palace.

The Joint convention of the Variously Cotton Manufacturers and the American Cotton Manufacturers will open this evening in the Hotel Biltmore.

The war has greatly complicated the Hotel Biltmore.

Woollen manufacturers declared yesterday that all-wool clothing would be on the market next fall, though the price of such a suit might be \$65.

Fire Record

A. M. S. Grant, 3d, has been of the war, according to the Bureau of Immigration. The figures show that only 400,000 came in the Grand Central Palace.

The year has greatly complicated the handling of immigrants. Many who seek admission are found to be enemy aliens and deportation follows when ships can be provided. Many aliens are being interned owing to carrety of ships. Immigration to carrety of ships. Immi

To Union Workers

Our Troops Will Suffer Like Russians, He Says, by Unjustified Strikes

defend when your boys return from the trenches" was sounded by Samuel

'the right and power to fight, and not best for them, but I do not want them

cialist organ, the Leipsic "Volkszeitung," Herr Stroebel assails the government's bill as an attempt "to smuggle the plural franchese in through the rear door, and thus render the 'equal' franchise utterly worthless."

Herr Stroebel quotes the following provision from the act of May 30, 1849, regarding the formation of the election districts:

"The election districts shall be bor in the United States, then a Bolshevik movement would now be in control of the country.

"The people of Russia were made to believe that by the turn of a hand they would accomplish the highest of thoughts and achieve a jump from babyhood to manhood. And by grasping for all, the people of Russia have now neither land, food nor peace.

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"I "The election districts shall be erected on the basis of population as shown by the latest census."

The writer then cites the paragraph n the new bill regarding districting, which reads:

Justices Review **Book Vice Society** Called Immoral

Publishers' Counsel Says 'Freedom of Expression' Is at Stake

ciety which, he said, was doing an dispatch says. He is greatly inter-incalcuable harm to literature and ested in the working of the guns, ac-

The Rev. Dr. Henry C. Warren, pasor of the Episcopal Church, at 307 WASHINGTON, May 1 .- Immigra- West Eighteenth Street, appeared in tion from Europe fell off one million the Men's Night Court last night

Publishing House Joins in Boycott Of Teuton Tongue

Putnam's Won't Print Anything In or Derived From German for 25 Years

Paper Here to Suspend

Volkszeitung" To Be Printed in English; More Newsdealers Enroll in Plan

The campaign to suppress the Ger-Heinrich Stroebel, a Socialist member of the Prussian Diet.

In an article in the independent Socialist organ, the Leipsic "Volkszeitung," Herr Stroebel assails the govern tung," Herr Stroebel assails the govern and the socialist organ, the Leipsic "Volkszeitung," Herr Stroebel assails the govern and the socialist organ, the Leipsic "Volkszeitung," Herr Stroebel assails the govern and the socialist organ, the Leipsic "Volkszeitung," Herr Stroebel assails the govern and the socialist member of Labor, then there would never have been a Bolsheviki, and if there had been no American Federation of Labor, then there would never have been a Bolsheviki, and if there had been no American Federation of Labor, then there would never have been a Bolsheviki, and if there had been no American Federation of Labor, then there would never have been a Bolsheviki, and if there had been no American Federation of Labor, then there would never have been a Bolsheviki, and if there had been no American Federation of Labor, then there would never have been a Bolsheviki, and if there had been no American Federation of Labor, then there would never have been a Bolsheviki, and if there had been no American Federation of Labor, then there would never have been a Bolsheviki movement would now be in the United States, then a Bolsheviki movement would now be in the Martin Mart

man or derived from the German for twenty-five years.
Report of two more German papers, one already suspended and the other to suspend in three weeks, were received. The Baltimore "Deutsche Korrespondent," founded seventy-seven years ago, announced that it had suspended publication. Its last issue was dated April 28.

The Socialist Coöperative Publishing Association, publishers of the "New Yorker Volkszeitung." is expected to suspend publication in three weeks or less. A daily paper in English will take its place.

The question of city advertising in German papers seems to call for an amendment to the city charter. Mrs. Field received a letter from Grover Whalen, Mayor Hylan's secretary, yesterday, pointing out that, according to Section 152, one paper published in the German language must be designated to carry city advertisements.

Mrs. Field also took up the complaint of a Miss Milligan, who conducts a newsstand on West Ninety-sixth Street, that the New York Newsdealers and Stationers' Association had threatened to cut off her supply of English papers if she did |not handle the German papers. According to Miss Milligan, she had not only stopped distributing the German papers, but had pledged herself to the American Defence Society not to circulate them. She had displayed the red and white sign of the society on her stand, but was forced to remove it, she said, for fear of losing her English papers.

J. B. Marcus, president of the association, denied that he had either sent or authorized any one to send for him, any such threats as Miss Milligan reported.

Davis Strong, of the American Guar-

reported.

Davis Strong, of the American Guardian Society, announced that Irvin Putnam, of the Putnam Publishing Company, had ordered that his firm handle no work tinged in the slightest with German for the next twenty-five years.
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merchants had already signed the anti-German pledge of the Guardian Society. He expects that at least 35,000 more will be enrolled this month.

Crown Prince Fires

He Is Greatly Interested in

GENEVA, Switzerland, May 1 .- The nan Crown Prince himself has fired Freed to See Dying Mother Paris is being bombarded, a Cologne cording to the dispatch, and has visited the spot frequently.

PARIS, May 1.—The long-range bombardment of the Paris district was begun again this morning.

High Cost of Coal Leads to Establishment of Sawmills

DELHI, N. Y., May 1.—The woodpile is having its renaissance. The high cost and scarcity of anthracite coal and recollection of frozen plumbing and bitter cold last winter are doing their work without extra prodding from Washington, with the result that the old-fashioned woodpile has come the selling.

Begun again this morning.

Three women were injured slightly, it is announced officially.

General Dubail, the Military Governor of Paris, visited to-day the varie on spoints in the region of Paris which had been particularly affected by the latest bombardment. The general conversed with the local authorities and asked them to convey his warm congratulations to their subordinates for the calminess they had displayed during the shelling. the shelling.

Germany Will Melt Inartistic Statues

New Call for Bronze and Copper Is Issued by the

[Staff Correspondence]
WASHINGTON, May 1.—An official French dispatch from Basle to-day says the "National Zietung" asserts that the Prussian Minister of War has told curators of museums and public monuments to send to the foundry all statues and monuments in bronze and copper which are of no particular artistic value.

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Many curators have estimated that the quantity of metal thus collected would be small. The Minister of War replied that although the bells of the churches have been requisitioned wherever possible, the needs of the army in metal are such that, in spite of supplies still unused, it would be necessary to utilize these resources.

Mayor Caldwell, Victim of

X-Ray, Reported Improved Physicians attending Major Eugene Wilson Caldwell, famous as the inhas been confined to his home, 480

British Flier Who Fought More Than 29 Foes Gets V. C.

Another Officer Who Battled Eight Enemies, Downing Three, Also Honored

Allan Gerrard and Alan Arnett McLeod of the Royal Air Force, for deeds which stand out, even among the exploits in this branch of the service. Gerrard, when on an offensive patrol enemy airplanes, shooting one down in flames. He then attacked an enemy airdrome, engaging single handed some

nineteen machines, which either were landing or starting off, and crashed one of them against the airdrome. A large number of machines then attacked Gerrard, but, seeing one of his companions in difficulty, he went to his assistance, and destroyed a third enemy machine.

Fresh enemy machines were rising from the airdrome, and he attacked them one after another and only retreated when ordered to do so. Five machines pursued him, but he turned, although apparently wounded, and repeatedly attacked them until, overoverwhelmed by numbers, he was driven down.

down.

McLeod, while flying at an altitude of 5,000 feet, was attacked by eight enemy machines, which dived at him from all directions, firing from their front guns. By skilful manœuvres he enabled his observer to fire bursts at each machine in turn, shooting three

By this time both McLeod and his By this time both McLeod and his observer were wounded and their machine was in flames. McLeod climbed out onto the 'plane controlling the machine from the side, and by tilting the side steeply he kept the flames confined to one side, thus enabling the observer to keep on firing until the ground was reached.

McLeod dragged the observer from the flaming machine, and, although again wounded by a bomb, persevered until he had placed his companion in safety, when he fell from exhaustion, due to loss of blood.

"Blue Devils" Here National Guardsman and

Finds Brother Among

ert, of Company L, 69th Regiment,

N. G. N. Y., was especially anxious to talk to the "Blue Devils." Yesterday he found the Frenchmen in the dormitory of the 69th Regiment Armory, Twenty-fifth Street and Lexington Avenue, while rollcall was in progress. Just as he was about to inquire whether any of them were natives of Biarritz, his home town, the sergeant called "Marcel Humbert." The soldier who answered "Present" was the

who answered "Present brother.

Rene came to New York with his mother ten years ago, when he was cight years old. Marcel, who was fifteen, remained in France. The familie knew little of Marcel, except that which would result in getting more news about the Amtrican fore

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Big Gun at Paris

He Is Greatly Interested in Working of Long-Range Weapon, Cologne Reports

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Kight years old. Marcel, who was fifteen, remained in France. The family knew little of Marcel, except that he was in the French army in 1914. His relatives did not know that he had been wounded twice and that he had been wounded twice and that he had been awarded the Croix de Guerre.

A telephone message to Mrs. Pausister to the family reunion at Liblette Arnaud brought mother and retry Land yesterday afternoon. The "Blue Devil" and the "Fighting New Yorker" were bound by closer ties than hatred for the common enemy.

Last night another mother with sons in two armies attended Liberty Land. It was Mme. Schumann-Heink, who has one son in the German navy and three sons in the German navy and three sons in the German heink, who has one son in the German navy and three sons in the German heink, who has one son in the German news and the could be no doubt of her feeling for America when she sang "The Star-Spangled Banner."

Job Hedges and Magistrate J. Gratton McMahon, representing Mayor Hylan, made brief addresses.

"Big Morris" Rothenberg, indicted as the murderer of Harry Cohen, alias "Harry the Yot," was released from the Tombs for two hours last night to see his mother, who was dying.

Only by the use of oxygen did physicians keep Mrs. Rothenberg alive until her son could reach her bedside, at 774 Prospect Avenue, The Bronx. The prisoner was accompanied by his attorney and two detectives.

The order for his release was signed by Judge Mulqueen, of General Sessions.

Observes Sixtieth Anniversary Colonel Eugene H. Conklin yesterday celebrated the anniversary of his sixtieth year in the leather and shot sixtieth year old, is privated to findings trade. Colonel Conklin, who sixty

Publishers to Aid Creel in Running Publicity Bureau

They Will Appoint Committee Requested by Head of Information Dep't

duct of his Publicity Bureau, George the American Newspaper Publish

mmittee on Public Information.

Mr. Creel at his request. He urged

Publishers Went To Be Fair retiring president of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, in which he insists that Creel must re-sign immediately?" Mr. Glass was

Vational Guardsman and
Poilu Reunited at Liberty Land

Because his brother had emlisted in he French army Private Rene Humter of Company I. 60th Periment.

"I have not read the afternoon papers," said Mr. Glass, "but as I said before, we are desirous of being fair. We will not even appoint men who are hostile to Mr. Creel, although the temper of the association was expressed at its New York meeting."

The conference between Mr. Creel and the representatives of the Publishers' Association took place in Mr.

Creel's office, at the committee head quarters. Following it, Mr. Creel said he could not discuss the conference, but that Mr. Glass would make any statement that was to be made.

Friends of Creel here to-night are pleased over the outcome. They say that Creel put it squarely up to the publishers that they could appoint a committee which was hostile to him but that he should receive this opportunity of working with a committee representing the organization so that the committee could understand his

Publishers' Ex-President Insists That Creel Resign

CHICAGO, May 1.—Standing by his charges of "disloyalty and incompetency" against George Creel, chairman of the Committee on Public Information, Hopewell Rogers, former president of the American Newspaper Publishers, Association to day called the competition of the American Newspaper Publishers, Association to day called the competition of the American Newspaper Publishers, Association to day called the competition of the American Newspaper Publishers. dent of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, to-day called upon Creel to resign.

"I cannot see how it would do any good for an advisory committee of publishers without power to investigate Creel's committee," said Mr. Rogers. "The only remedy is for Creel to resign."

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